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NE**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re the Application of:**

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Amendment and

Response to Office Action

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Response to Office Action and Amendment ("Response") is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 16, 2001 ("Office Action"), Paper No. 5, in the above referenced patent application.

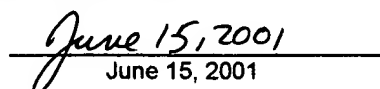
TIME FOR RESPONSE

The Office Action set a shortened statutory period for response of three months resulting in a due date of May 16, 2001 extendible pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Accompanying this Response is a petition for a one month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and payment of the requisite fee provided in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) thereby extending the time for response until June 16, 2001. Consequently, Applicants believe that this Response is timely filed.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

The undersigned hereby certifies that the attached correspondence is being deposited as First Class Mail with sufficient postage with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below.


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